

USSN 10/789,543 - Page 2

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A device for releasably fastening a first component to a second component, comprising:

a device body;

a first fastener extending from said device body and operable to attach said device body to the first component;

a second fastener extending from said device body and adapted to attach said device to the second component,

whereby when a force of greater than a predetermined amount is applied to the second component, said first fastener detaches from the first component without damaging the first component.

2. (Original) The device according to claim 1 wherein said device body includes an upper arm and a lower arm connected by an intermediate arm.

3. (Original) The device according to claim 2 wherein said first fastener is a return flange defining a channel between said return flange and said upper arm.

4. (Original) The device according to claim 2 wherein said second fastener is an attachment arm extending from said intermediate arm and defining a channel between said intermediate arm and said lower arm.

5. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1 wherein said device body is constructed of [[a]] one of an acetyl material, a polypropylene material, and a plastic material.

USSN 10/789,543 - Page 3

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Original) An assembly for releasably fastening a first component to a second component, comprising:

- a first component;
- a second component;
- a device body;
- a first fastener extending from said device body and operable to attach said device body to said first component;
- a second fastener extending from said device body and adapted to attach said device to said second component,

whereby when a force of greater than a predetermined amount is applied to said second component, said first fastener detaches from the first component without damaging the first component, and

whereby when a force of less than the predetermined amount is applied to said second component, said first fastener remains attached to said first component.

8. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 7 wherein said device body includes an upper arm and a lower arm connected by an intermediate arm.

9. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim [[7]] 8 wherein said first fastener is a return flange defining a channel between said return flange and said upper arm.

10. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim [[7]] 8 wherein said second fastener is an attachment arm extending from said intermediate arm and defining a channel between said intermediate arm and said lower arm.

USSN 10/789,543 - Page 4

11. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 7 wherein said device body is constructed of [[a]] one of an acetyl material, a polypropylene material, and a plastic material.

12. (Original) The device according to claim 1 wherein said first component is a headlamp assembly.

13. (Original) The device according to claim 1 wherein said first component is a taillamp assembly.

14. (Original) The device according to claim 1 wherein said second component is bumper fascia.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) The assembly according to claim 20 including a projection extending outwardly from a free end of said intermediate arm, said projection operable to provide a surface to allow for manually removing said fascia from said device body.

17. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 20 wherein said lamp assembly includes a housing and a lamp lens; and

the device includes a finger extending from said housing that engages with an end of said device body, said end of said device body overlapping said finger by a distance and including a radius formed thereon.

18. (Original) The device according to claim 17 wherein the predetermined force applied to said fascia to detach said first fastener from said lamp assembly may be varied by varying the distance said end overlaps said finger.

USSN 10/789,543 - Page 5

19. (Original) The device according to claim 17 wherein the predetermined force applied to said fascia to detach said first fastener from said lamp assembly may be varied by varying said radius.

20. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 8 wherein said first component is a lamp assembly and said second component is a bumper facia.